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SUBJECT: PAKISTAN REPROCESSING ISSUE

1. WHEN AMBASSADOR SMITH MET WITH FRENCH AMBASSADOR DE LABOULAYE AUGUST 11 ON OTHER MATTERS, HE RAISED THREE ISSUES RELATED TO THE PAKISTAN REPROCESSING PROBLEM.

A. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION ABOUT THE GISCARD RESPONSE
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TO GENERAL ZIA, DE LABOULAYE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD IT WOULD BE SENT ANY DAY NOW, IF IT HAD NOT GONE ALREADY, AND THE SUBSTANCE WOULD BE NEGATIVE.

B. SMITH MENTIONED THE POSSIBLE UTILITY OF FRANCE BRINGING CANADA INTO ITS CONFIDENCE, IN VIEW OF THE LATTER'S INTEREST IN PAKISTANI NUCLEAR MATTERS AND THE POSSIBILITY THAT

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CANADA MIGHT USEFULLY RESUME A ROLE IN PAKISTAN'S NUCLEAR PROGRAM. DE LABOULAYE MADE NO SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE BUT TOOK NOTE OF THE POINT.

C. ON THE SUBJECT OF POSSIBLE FRENCH PRESSURE ON THE FRG CONCERNING THE BRAZIL CASE, DE LABOULAYE NOTED HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT GISCARD HAD ELECTED NOT TO RAISE THE SUBJECT WITH SCHMIDT AT THE BREMEN SUMMIT. DE LABOULAYE WAS NOT AWARE OF ANY SPECIFIC FRENCH PLANS FOR AN APPROACH TO THE

FRG, BUT IMPLIED THAT GISCARD INTENDS TO RAISE THE ISSUE WITH SCHMIDT.

2. FOREGOING IS FYI ONLY AT THIS TIME. SEPTEL NOW UNDER PREPARATION WILL TRANSMIT BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND SUGGESTIONS FOR FOLLOW UP BY EMBASSY.

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